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I do not accept the empty promise of more digital channels. WQED already plans to use some of them for commercial purposes. WQED's external debts were selfinflicted and are now much smaller. Moreover, WQED has admitted to the FCC that its debts do not threaten its broadcast operations.

Permitting WQED to cash in our educational station for a \$20 million windfall would set a dangerous precedent for other reserved channels as well.

Apparently, WQED no longer wants to provide programming on Channel 16, as can be seen by its proposal to sell off this community asset and by the fact that it has been simulcasting on Channels 13 and 16 for four years. Thus, please invite applications from other noncommercial educational organizations.

Yours sincerely,

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